

Regular meeting of the City Council
Austin, Texas, Dec. 8th 1906
Hon W. H. Shedd Mayor, presiding.

Council Called

Present Aldermen Crockett, Cuneo, Haynes, Macken, Miller,
Moore, Peni, Powell, Redd & Cook. With Vice President and
Wilhelm

Absent Alderman Armstrong

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded
by the Clerk, without reading.

Petitions etc

Ed Allen to remit
fine

By Alderman Cuneo, petition of Ed Allen asking that
the Council remit a fine assessed against him in the
Assessors Court. On motion the petition was granted.

By Alderman Smith, petition of Senate Mayfield asking
the Council to remit a fine assessed against him in the
Assessors Court. On motion the petition was granted.

By Alderman Redd, petition of C. Duesterhoff asking
damages on account of overturning of buggy
Read and on motion referred to the Committee on Claims
and Accounts

Alderman Armstrong entered the Council Chamber
The Mayor laid before the Council an application from
C. L. Glanss for permission to erect an iron clad shack
within the fire limits

Read and on motion the petition was granted in the following language:
The Tax on land before you. Considered a petition from
John Shuster asking to have certain pound fees
refunded. Read and on motion referred to the Claims
and Accounts Committee

By Alderman Armstrong, petition of J. G. Miller
asking to have certain pound fees refunded.

Read and on motion referred to the Claims and Accounts
Committee

By Alderman Smith petition of P. D. Dunaway asking
for time last time while sick. Read and granted.

Reports of City offices

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the Clerk
the Assessor & Collector & the Treasurer for the month of
Nov 1906, which were on motion referred to their
appropriate Committees, without reading

Reports of Standing Committees

Alderman Hayes for the Finance Committee
reported that the Tax Roll for 1906, had been completed
by the City Assessor & Collector and recommended that
they be approved, which motion prevailed.

Alderman Powell for the Police Committee to whom
was referred the reports of the Marshal for the month

P. D. Dunaway
for time last time

Standing Rules
Decided upon and
Approved

P. D. Dunaway
for time last time

of Oct 7906, presented a report stating that they had been examined and found correct; In view of the report was adopted.

Claims & accounts
at Burleson
Taxes

Alderman Petri for the Claims & Accounts Committee to whom was referred the petition of A. S. Burleson asking to have his Assessment for Taxes corrected, presented a report recommending that the petition be granted. On motion the report was adopted.

New business

Austin Theological Seminary

Alderman Moore offered the following resolution while it is the evident duty of every citizen of Austin to derive and strive for the location and development of such enterprises here, as will insure to the benefit of the City, it must be recognized also that it is a duty not second in importance to this to have those institutions which have already been established here and which afford solid ground or reasonable promise of success.

Whereas it appears that the Austin Theological Seminary, a young and growing institution which is located here, is unfortunately situated, in the extreme eastern portion of the City and half way between two institutions for colored students, that its students professors and friends are dissatisfied: And,

Whereas, there is reason for grave fear, in consequence of tempting offers by other cities, that the Seminary may be removed from Austin altogether if a more suitable and satisfactory site is not speedily secured for it: and

Whereas, there is an effort on foot to transfer said Seminary to a position near the University, which effort has been cordially endorsed by the Business League and the Advisory Board of said League, composed of many of the leading citizens of Austin, representing all shades of opinion and interest; and whereas, a desirable site has already been purchased by friends of this movement and is hold ready by them to be had to the Seminary, at original cost price if it remains here:

Therefore, be it resolved by the Council:

1. To endorse this effort and recommend it to all the citizens of Austin as worthy of their cordial and substantial support.

2. To grant that the street, which now separates the two portions of this proposed site, being that portion of Wichita Street lying between West Twenty seventh Street and West Twenty Ninth Street, be closed in the event of the purchase by the Seminary of said site.

3. To appoint a Committee of four, members of

of the Council and two of the City of Austin, to co-operate with the Committee, already appointed by the business & agric and the friends of the Seminary, to further the object proposed with all possible expedition.

In motion the Rev. Dr. Campion was invited to address the Council on the resolution, which he did and the Council adopted the resolution.

Alderman Powell of the Police Committee stated that he had been informed by the Marshal that there was a reader in the Police force, and he moved that the Marshal be requested to present the name of some person to fill the vacancy. The motion was adopted.

The Marshal presented the names of Mr. Geo. S. W.

Alderman Powell Crookshank & Von Rosenberg were appointed tellers.

The tellers announced the following as the result of the ballot, viz:

For Confirmation 14.
against 0.

On motion of Alderman Powell the City Clerk was granted a leave of absence for three days. By Alderman Haynes an ordinance affirming the sum of \$2700.00 for the purpose of laying salaries of officers & employees. The ordinance was read the first time passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote. Yes Aldermen Armstrong, Crookshank, James Haynes, Miller Moore, C. H. Powell, Red Scott, Smith, Von Rosenberg, & Wilhelm 14
None 0.

The Mayor announced that he had appointed Alderman Scott, Moore & Mrs. Robertson & Scotts as the Committee provided for in the resolution regarding the Theological Seminary.

Alderman Tom D. Smith tendered his resignation as Alderman of the 7th Ward to take effect at once. On motion the resignation was accepted.

Alderman Haynes moved that the Council now proceed to the election of an Alderman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman Smith, which motion prevailed.

Alderman Haynes Von Rosenberg and Miller were appointed tellers.

Petitions from citizens asking the election of W. B. Anthony, Starkey & Ask Schiller were read.

An Alderman Jones moved that the names presented in the petitions first read be declared as candidates.

Geo. S. W.

dear policeman

City Clerk leave
absence

Salaries officers &
employees

One Theological
Seminary

Alderman

Smith resigning

W. B. Anthony
Starkey
Ask Schiller
Miller

for Alderman in the 7th ward, which motion prevailed
The Clerks announced the following, as the result of the
first ballot 7th

Wm. H. Katz of Vale, Wm. Anthony - 27 votes & John Smith 12 votes
The Mayor declared Wm. H. Katz duly elected Alderman
at large for the 7th Ward to fill the Vacancy Caused by the
resignation of Alderman Tom Schmitz

By Alderman Hayes An Ordinance appropriating the sum
of \$1,000³⁵ for the purpose of paying off over accounts
The Ordinance was read the first time and passed under
Suspension of the rules by the following, Vale
Geas Aldermen Armstrong Crookshen Gaines Hayes Macken
Miller Moore Peirce Powell Redd Scott Voth Rosenberg &
Wilhelm 13

Votes None.

By Alderman Hayes An Ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$508²³ for the purpose of paying off over
accounts Street Dept.

The Ordinance was read the first time and passed
under Suspension of the rules by the following, Vale
Geas Aldermen Armstrong Crookshen Gaines Hayes Macken
Miller Moore Peirce Powell Redd Scott Voth Rosenberg &
Wilhelm 13

Votes None

Alderman Gaines moved that a vote of thanks be
extended to Ex Alderman Smith for services rendered
the Council & the City, which motion prevailed
The Mayor announced the appointment of Alderman
John Crookshen Moore as the Street Committee
On Motion the Council adjourned

J. G. Johnson
Attest
Attest

Wm. H. Katz
elected Alderman
7th Ward
Approved after

(Approved after
St. R. pt)

Vote of Thanks
Alderman Smith